

This Exam Outline was developed to help you prepare for the knowledge exam.

This Exam Outline is not meant to cover all aspects of the knowledge exam, but to guide your preparation for questions that may occur in the knowledge exam.

Review:

- Common medication side-effects, indications, contraindications, management, therapeutic onset, dosing ranges
  - Medication interactions
  - Co-morbidity medications and interactions
  - Monitoring
  - Therapeutic response
  - Medication dosage calculation
  - Discharge instructions
  - Drug levels, electrolyte monitoring, baseline lab requirements
  - Over the counter drugs and interactions
  - Antidotes
- Common diagnoses, recognition, treatment, management, symptomology
- Therapeutic conversation
- Define:
  - Extrapyramidal symptoms
  - Neuroleptic malignant syndrome
  - Tardive dyskinesia
  - Atypical antipsychotic medications
- Medication administration techniques
- Vascular access devices, management, complications